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**127th Legislature (2014-2016)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1503 / HP1026

Original Title: An Act To Create a Class II Limited Lobster and Crab Fishing License and Improve the Limited-entry System. New Title: An Act To Amend Lobster and Crab Fishing License Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Presented by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources. Public Hearing 02/10/16. OTP-AM Accepted 03/24/16. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-588, HA/CA H-610, SA/CA S-435. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 04/05/16, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 428.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1503 \(127th Legis. 2016\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1503 / PL 2015, c. 428](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf127-LD-1503.pdf)

**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(H-588\) \(LD 1503 2016\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-435\) \(LD 1503 2016\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-610\) \(LD 1503 2016\) \(Passed\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[HOUSE, January 6, 2016 \(H1188-1202\)](#)

- p. H-1193

[SENATE, January 7, 2016 \(S1450-1458\)](#)

- p. S-1455

[HOUSE, March 23, 2016 \(H1429-1444\)](#)

- p. H-1434 (Amendment(s) H-588)

[SENATE, March 24, 2016 \(S1771-1781\)](#)

- p. S-1775 (Amendment(s) H-588)

[SENATE, March 24, 2016 \(S1771-1781\)](#)

- p. S-1781 (Amendment(s) H-588, S-435)

[HOUSE, March 28, 2016 \(H1460-1478\)](#)

- p. H-1461 (Remarks) (Amendment(s) H-588, S-435, H-610)

[SENATE, March 29, 2016 \(S1803-1821\)](#)

- p. S-1804 (Amendment(s) H-588, S-435, H-610)

[HOUSE, March 30, 2016 \(H1498-1517\)](#)

- p. H-1516 (Amendment(s) H-588, H-610, S-435)

[SENATE, March 31, 2016 \(S1843-1862\)](#)

- p. S-1858 (Amendment(s) H-588, H-610, S-435)

#### **Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2015, c. 428](#)

#### **News Articles**

Lobster license bill hearing is scheduled (Graves, Liz) (Ellsworth American, 1/14/2016, p. Ssec. II, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/W1601008.pdf)

Some dislike proposal to ease long waits for Maine lobstering licenses (Quimby, Beth) (Portland Press Herald, 1/25/2016, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/P1601067.pdf)

Proposed fix for lobstering license barriers draws skepticism at hearing (Tukel, Tux) (Portland Press Herald, 2/11/2016, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/P1602043.pdf)

Lobstermen divided on license proposals (Graves, Liz) (Ellsworth American, 2/18/2016, p. Sec. II, p. 7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/W1602010.pdf)

Lawmakers endorse stripped-down version of lobster license changes (Tukel, Tux) (Portland Press Herald, 2/25/2016, p. C1, C4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/P1602072.pdf)

Lobster licensing being amended (French, Edward) (Quoddy Tides, 2/26/2016, p. 2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/Clip1686.pdf)

Amended lobster licensing bill enacted (French, Edward) (Quoddy Tides, 4/8/2016, p. 2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD15xx/nc127-lid-1503/Clip16156.pdf)

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